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          IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
      FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
                  CHARLESTON DIVISION
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2		2	A. Understood.
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4	No. 15 - Copy of MacLean Supplemental Report 36	4	I'm not an expert, so I may ask a question poorly. If
5	No. 16 - Histology Protocol 46	5	I do, just let me know.
6	No. 17 - Automation in IHC Document 69	6	A. Will do.
7	No. 18 - Iakovlev Degradation Article 78	7	Q. I want to make sure that we have a clean
8	No. 19 - Guelcher Protocol 121	8	record. Okay?
9	No. 20 - Benight/MacLean/Garcia Publication 129	9	A. Understood.
10	10. 20 - Benight/WacLean/Galeia i ublication 129	10	Q. And you understand that you're under oath?
11		11	A. I do.
12		12	
13			Q. And that you need to provide truthful and
14		13	accurate testimony. A. That's correct.
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15		15	Q. Have you given any depositions since the last
16		16	time you and I met?
17		17	A. I believe there are two, yes.
18		18	Q. In what cases?
19		19	A. I don't remember.
20		20	Q. Is it on your testimony list?
21		21	A. It should be, yes. The two cases that I
22		22	recall are Brunswick v. Slocum, and the second case is
23		23	Hower v. Excel.
24		24	Q. So Brunswick versus Slocum?
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2	Q. And did you offer testimony in your capacity	1	A. Just examined it under the microscope after
	as an employee for Exponent?	2	the case was either settled or dismissed. I can't
3	A. I offered expert testimony as an expert in	3	recall the outcome of that case.
4	polymer science.	4	Q. There was some leftover material from that
5	Q. As an employee of Exponent.	5	lawsuit that you analyzed?
6	A. As an employee of Exponent, correct.	6	A. Correct.
7	(Discussion held off the record.)	7	Q. And what was the purpose of analyzing the
8	Q. Doctor, before we mark this exhibit, you	8	blue material?
9	haven't personally analyzed any explanted polypropylene	9	A. Just to look at the mesh with the tissue
10	meshes, correct?	10	around it.
11	A. I have.	11	Q. Because you had not done it previously?
12	Q. Okay. Since did you do that in this case?	12	A. Not prior to that.
13	A. I did that in the last few months, over the	13	Q. So you were just trying to get sort of an
14	last few months.	14	idea of what it looked like?
15	Q. Okay.	15	A. I would say to just have an opportunity to
16	A. It was with regard to certain explants from	16	see it first-hand.
17	Wave 1.	17	Q. What did you do? Just look at it by optimum
18	Q. Which Wave 1 explants did you analyze?	18	microscopy?
19	A. (No response.)	19	A. Looked at it optically. Also looked at it
20	Q. Did you do a case-specific report?	20	under scanning electron microscopy.
21	A. I did for those particular explants?	21	Q. Okay. And you didn't perform any FTIR or any
22	Q. Right.	22	other analysis?
23	A. I did not.	23	A. I don't believe so. On that particular mesh.
24	Q. Okay.	24	Q. We'll get back to the Plaintiffs that you've
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1	A. The first one is Kathy Barton, B-A-R-T-O-N.	1	looked at their mesh specimens later on today. Okay?
2	The second one is Michelle Bellito-Stanford.	2	A. Okay, sure.
3	B-E-L-I-T-O. The third one is Barbara Bridges,	3	
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Page 14 Page 16 1 by one, I'm happy to, but I think you'll find 1 B-E-C-K-E. 2 that his complete file that he relies on for 2 O. And what does "Becke" mean? 3 3 his opinions in the case has been produced. A. It's -- refers to a Becke line, which can be 4 Q. Let me ask you this question: Did you 4 an artifact of optical microscopy. 5 5 conduct any testing or analysis of -- in this Q. Okay. We'll talk about that in a little bit. 6 6 litigation that you did not produce the underlying data Do you have any -- other than what's contained with 7 7 your report, did you bring any hard copies of the for? 8 A. No. 8 microphotographs? 9 9 Q. So you've produced all of the underlying data A. Very few. I have them all on the thumb 10 related to all of the testing that you conducted in 10 drive, so if there's one particular one you want to 11 this case. 11 focus in on, we can certainly pull it up. 12 12 A. For Wave 1, yes, correct. Q. Okay. Does Appendix G of Exhibit 3 contain Q. For Wave 1. And that was produced to me 13 13 all of the microphotographs that you took in this case? 14 14 electronically yesterday. I wasn't able to print out A. It does. 15 15 any -- hardly any documents from that. Did you bring Q. Did you take additional microphotographs in 16 any documents with you today? I see some notebooks. 16 your supplemental report of the work that you conducted 17 A. I did. 17 in the -- to produce the supplemental report? 18 A. Yes. 18 Q. Let's go ahead and mark those documents. 19 19 Q. Let's go ahead and mark Exhibit No. 4. A. Okay. (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 4 - Wave 1 20 MR. THOMAS: For your information, Dan, he's 20 21 got a thumb drive in his computer which is 21 Supplemental Report of Dr. Steven MacLean -22 22 the complete set of what was sent to you marked for identification.) 23 23 yesterday. If you want to mark the thumb Q. That is your supplemental report. I'll thumb 24 24 drive as well. through it really quick. Page 15 Page 17 1 MR. THORNBURGH: Yeah. We'll go ahead and 1 Okay. And Exhibit No. 4, there are a number 2 mark the thumb drive as well. Let's mark the 2 of separated -- looks like two microphotographs or 3 3 thumb drive as Exhibit No. 2. copies of microphotographs of -- it looks like the 4 4 MR. THOMAS: I'll put the sticker on it. chemical-treated specimens. 5 (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 2 - Thumb Drive -5 A. Correct. 6 marked for identification.) 6 Q. I'm going to go ahead and mark those 7 7 BY MR. THORNBURGH: separately as Exhibit No. 5. 8 8 Q. Okay, I'm going to mark as Exhibit No. 3 a (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 5 -9 binder that you brought with you today that appears to 9 Microphotograph - marked for 10 10 be your expert report. identification.) 11 A. Correct. 11 Q. And Exhibit No. 6. 12 (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 3 - Expert Report 12 (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 6 -13 of Dr. Steven MacLean - marked for 13 Microphotograph - marked for 14 14 identification.) identification.) 15 Q. I'm going to thumb through it real quickly. 15 Q. I don't see an appendix on exhibit to your 16 A. By all means. 16 supplemental report that contains the images that we 17 Q. And there's some highlighting on this report. 17 saw in your original report, which was the 18 Are these highlighting -- is this highlighting that you 18 microphotographs. Is it fair to say that you did not 19 19 made? attach the microphotographs to your -- strike that. 20 20 A. My highlighting, correct. Is it fair to say that you did not attach to 21 Q. On Exhibit 3, there's a tab. Can you tell me 21 your supplemental report, or at least what you brought 22 what that tab says. It's on Page 68 of your expert 22 with you today, the microphotographs of the work that 23 report. I just can't read your handwriting. 23 relates to the supplemental report? 24 A. Yep. No, that's fine. It's Becke, 24 A. I did not print hard copies of those,

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1	correct. But, again, they're on the hard drive.	1	Q. Was the first time that you looked at the
2	Q. Right. I'll hand you back Exhibit No. 3 and	2	did you first read the articles that are summarized in
3	4.	3	Exhibit No. 9 in conjunction with the work that you did
4	(Discussion held off the record.)	4	in your in drafting your supplemental report?
5	Q. We'll just keep those out so the court	5	A. Could you just repeat that.
6	reporter can find them as well.	6	Q. Yeah.
7	A. Sure.	7	MR. THORNBURGH: Can you read that back.
8	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 7 - Binder of	8	(Record read back by the reporter.)
9	Published Literature of Dr. Steven MacLean -	9	A. No. Many of those pieces of literature I
10	marked for identification.)	10	read over a year ago.
11	Q. Okay. We've marked as Exhibit No. 7 a binder	11	Q. Okay. So this was just a re-review of the
12	that you brought with you today that appears to be some	12	articles
13	published literature?	13	A. Correct.
14	A. (Witness nods head.)	14	Q and publications?
15	Q. Is that correct?	15	A. Correct. Just to try to keep it all
16	A. It is correct.	16	straight.
17	Q. There are a couple of additional documents in	17	Q. When we met in the Mullins litigation and I
18	the sleeve of Exhibit No. 7 that I'll mark as separate	18	took your deposition, you had issued a report in that
19	exhibits. The highlighting that's contained within	19	case; the consolidated TVT set of cases. And you had
20	or on any of these publications, who highlighted	20	testified during your deposition that you had help from
21	those?	21	your technicians or staff members at Exponent in
22	A. I did.	22	drafting your expert report in the Mullins case.
23	Q. And are the electronic copies of those	23	A. I had some assistance with some of the
24	publications also contained on your thumb drive?	24	sections of the report, correct. Initial drafts of the
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2	Q. Okay.	2	Ph.D. scientists. And I don't recall which sections
3	A. And Dr. McGann. M-O-L-L, M-C-G-A-N-N.	3	exactly. We went through that report several times. I
4	Q. For your first report in Wave 1 we'll	4	couldn't parse out which sections they helped with and
5	call it your primary report what sections were	5	which ones they didn't.
6	drafted by the employees of Exponent?	6	Q. Okay. Well, we'll go through it
7	A. I think we'd have to go look at the report	7	A. Okay.
8	and look at the additional sections.	8	Q in greater detail.
9	(Discussion held off the record.)	9	A. Sure.
10	A. So Dr. Moll and I had worked on the Mays	10	Q. I'm going to hand you back Exhibit No. 7,
11	section, M-A-Y-S. Dr. McGann and I worked on the	11	which is the published literature.
12	Priddy section, P-R-I-D-Y. And Dr. Moll and I worked		A. Okay.
13	on the Klinge, K-L-I-N-G-E, section.	13	Q. Here is Exhibit No. 8, which is your
14	Q. And are those those sections represent the	14	marked-up copy of the Clavé study.
	only additions to your report that was issued in the		
15	Mullins case?	15	A. Thank you.
16 17		16	Q. And Exhibit No. 9, which is your summary of
	A. Not exactly. So in this in the Wave 1	17	some of the publications.
18	report, I consolidated the original microscopy report	18	I'll mark as Exhibit No. 10 a binder that you
19	with the Mullins report, so that, arguably, is also an	19	brought with you that appears to be copies of certain
20	addition.	20	expert reports from the Plaintiffs.
21	Q. Right.	21	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 10 - Plaintiffs
22	A. And I think that is the total of the	22	Experts' Reports - marked for
23	additions, compared from Mullins, compared to Wave	23	identification.)
24	1.	24	A. Correct.
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1	Q. Okay. And regarding your supplemental	1	Q. In the sleeve, there appears to be a
2	report, which I think was marked as Exhibit No. 3 2	2	deposition excerpt from Dr. Priddy.
3	or 3	3	A. Correct.
4	MR. THOMAS: 4.	4	Q. I'll mark that as a separate exhibit, No. 11.
5	Q. I'm sorry, 4. Who, again, helped you with	5	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 11 - Excerpt of
6	that report?	6	the testimony of Duane Priddy, Ph.D
7	A. I'm sorry. Which report?	7	marked for identification.)
8	Q. You said Dr. Benight and another doctor.	8	Q. It's two pages. It's 139 and 140 of Dr.
9	A. And Dr. Garcia.	9	Priddy's deposition.
10	Q. Dr. Benight and Dr. Garcia helped you draft	10	A. Correct.
11	the additional sections that were added to the	11	Q. And this is an excerpt was this excerpt
12	supplemental report?	12	provided to you by Ethicon's counsel?
13	A. I just want to make sure we have all the	13	A. No. The entire deposition was provided to me
14	reports	14	from Ethicon's counsel. That was an excerpt that I
15	Q. Exhibit No. 4.	15	took out and highlighted.
16	A. So just ask me that one more time.	16	Q. Okay. And so you did the highlighting of
17	Q. Yeah. Dr. Benight and Dr	17	this on this document?
18	A. Garcia.	18	A. Correct. I read his entire deposition, and I
19	Q Garcia, they helped you draft certain	19	highlighted those sections and pulled them out.
20	sections of the supplemental report. Right?	20	Q. Okay. And there's some flags on Exhibit
	A. Correct. That's correct.	21	No. 10. Are those flags done by you?
21	A. Confect. That's confect.		
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22	Q. Which has been marked as Exhibit No. 4.	22	A. They were done by me.

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1	A. It would appear. Just show me the yellow	1	Q. Which Composite Exhibit 13 contains an
2	one. You are correct.	2	invoice from July 17th, 2015, in the amount of \$72,174
3	Q. Okay. Are there any documents or materials	3	So about a month after your the retention letter,
4	that you brought with you today that we have not	4	you invoiced Ethicon in this amount. Correct?
5	marked?	5	A. Correct.
6	A. No. I believe that's everything.	6	Q. So the \$72,174, does that represent payment
7	Q. Dr. MacLean, when were you retained by	7	for the work that was conducted by you or by Exponent
8	Ethicon as an expert in the Wave 1 cases? Actually,	8	related to the retention letter of June 15th, 2015? Is
9	this might help you out.	9	that all work strike that.
10	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 12 - June 15,	10	Does that invoice represent work that was
11	2015 letter from Steven MacLean to Chad R.	11	conducted by you or Exponent after the June 15th, 2015
12	Hutchinson - marked for identification.)	12	retention letter?
13	Q. I've marked as Exhibit No. 12 a letter	13	A. For my projects, correct.
14	looks like it's from Exponent to Chad Hutchinson, which	14	Q. Okay. So in less than a month, you and/or
15	is a lawyer for Butler Snow, representing Ethicon. It	15	Exponent billed Ethicon for \$72,174.
16	looks like a retention letter.	16	A. We provided services that equated to \$72,174.
17	A. That is correct.	17	Q. Okay. What services did you provide from
18	Q. Okay. So based on according to the	18	June 15th, 2015 to July 17th, 2015 which represent the
19	retention letter, you were retained formally by	19	billing of \$72,174?
20	letter or you accepted the request to be retained on	20	A. Consulting services.
21	June 15th, 2015. Is that correct?	21	Q. What type of consulting services?
22	A. Correct. That's when this formal letter was	22	A. We were working on at this time we would
23	written.	23	have been working on the Mullins consolidated cases.
24	MR. THOMAS: And just to be fair, it's	24	So I would without having any more detail, this work
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Page 34 Page 36 1 A. Dr. -- excuse me. Mr. Thomas and I met last 1 supplemental report did not conclude until, you said, 2 2 early March? night for a few hours. 3 3 Q. How many hours did you meet last night to A. Yeah. I can give you a date. 4 4 Q. I'll go ahead and -- let's mark as Exhibit prepare for the deposition? 5 5 A. Probably two. No. 15 my copy of your supplemental report. 6 6 Q. We're done with the invoices. Just keep (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 15 - Copy of the 7 those invoices together, because they're a composite 7 Supplemental Report by Steven MacLean -8 exhibit. 8 marked for identification.) 9 Doctor, I'm going to go ahead and mark my 9 Q. Your supplemental report is dated March 22nd, 10 copy of your expert report, the primary expert report 10 2016? 11 that was issued in Wave 1, as Exhibit No. 14. 11 A. Correct. 12 12 Q. And the reason why you couldn't submit it (MacLean Deposition Exhibit 14 - Copy of 13 13 earlier was because the work that you were conducting Expert Report of Dr. Steven MacLean - marked which is contained within the supplemental report, 14 for identification.) 14 15 Q. I've remarked it just so that we could 15 wasn't yet complete. 16 navigate easier, because I've got my own marked-up 16 A. Correct. 17 17 Q. Were you provided with a deadline for 18 18 which the work needed to be completed for the Wave But your Wave 1 expert report, if you turn to 19 19 the -- maybe the first page, it shows a date of 1 cases? 20 March 1st, 2016. 20 A. No. I was not given a deadline. 21 A. Correct. 21 Q. And the work that you -- that is reported in 22 Q. Okay. And is that -- to your recollection, 22 your supplemental report, the additional analysis of 23 is that when you had finished and signed your Wave 1 23 the TVT products, the hernia product, and the suture 24 product, when did you begin that work? first report? Approximately. Page 35 Page 37 1 A. Off memory, in and around February 1st, 2016. 1 A. I don't recall, but I'll take the date at 2 face value. 2 Q. And why don't you just briefly describe what 3 3 Q. Okay. And we're not going to spend a whole additional experiments you did which are contained 4 4 lot of time on your first report, because it's -within your Wave 1 supplemental report. 5 contains a lot of the same information and testimony 5 A. Okay. So we sought to expand the previous 6 6 that you had provided in the Mullins case. Okay? work that we did. And so I acquired a number of 7 7 A. (Witness nods head.) different PROLENE products. As you mentioned, a TV7 8 mesh, hernia mesh, PROLENE sutures. We also went out 8 Q. We may -- we might jump to it, but we're not 9 9 in the open market and bought an off-the-shelf grade of going to spend too much time on it. 10 10 polypropylene from Sigma-Aldrich. And we deliberately A. Understood. 11 Q. And after you had submitted your initial 11 oxidized those specimens under two defined protocols. 12 report in Wave 1, you then submitted a supplemental 12 And then after we oxidized them, they were microtomed 13 report, correct? 13 and stained in H&E staining solutions. And we then did 14 14 A. Correct. some microscopy work to determine if the stain was 15 Q. And the supplemental report was submitted 15 retained by any of those specimens. late, after the deadline for expert disclosures? Do 16 Q. Okay. If we turn to Page 4 of your 16 17 you --17 supplemental report, Exhibit No. 15, you have sort of 18 A. I don't recall those dates. I can only go 18 the introduction of your report. Page 4. I'm sorry, 19 19 with what date was on the actual report. Exhibit No. 15. 20 20 MR. THOMAS: That's the wrong one. Q. Why weren't you able to submit your 21 21 Q. There you go. Okay. supplemental report earlier? 22 A. Because the work that we were performing did 22 (Discussion held off the record.) 23 23 (Attorney Joseph Kramer joins deposition by not conclude, I think, until early March. 24 24 Q. So the work that is contained within your teleconference.)

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1	Q. Back to Exhibit No. 15, Page 4, you sort of	1	prepared for these experiments, and a section of
2	summarize the additional testing or materials that you	2	approximately one centimeter?
3	analyzed for your supplemental report. Correct?	3	A. It says each sample that was cut was
4	A. That is correct.	4	approximately one centimeter in length.
5	Q. And so it looks like you looked at three TVT	5	Q. Okay. So from each product
6	samples, one hernia sample, and one suture sample.	6	A. Yep.
7	Correct?	7	Q for the QUV/UV oxidation experiment, how
8	A. Correct.	8	many pieces were cut to conduct that experiment of each
9	Q. Okay. And you conducted additional an	9	of those products; the TVT, the hernia mesh, and the
10	additional experiment using the QUV oxidation.	10	suture?
11	Correct?	11	A. That were exposed to QUV?
12	A. Correct.	12	Q. Yeah.
13	Q. Which is UV radiation, right?	13	A. So I have one swath of material from Device
14	A. It is.	14	3859228. A second one, second swath of material from
15	Q. You intentionally oxidized the or your	15	3859228.
16	intent was to intentionally oxidize the samples using	16	Q. What product is 389228 [sic]?
17	UV light?	17	A. TVT device.
18	A. Correct.	18	Q. Okay. And then it's
19	Q. And energy?	19	MR. THOMAS: It's the lot number in the
20	A. We irradiated the samples with UV light,	20	paragraph, Dan.
21	correct.	21	A. Yeah. And then there's a second mesh from
22	Q. And you accelerated that that by	22	that same lot, which we took out two swaths.
23	increasing the temperature?	23	Q. And when you say "swaths", are you talking
24	A. It was 60 degrees Celsius inside the chamber.	24	about the one-centimeter sample?
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1	A. Correct.	1	fibers.
2	Q. Correct? There were four swaths from the	2	Q. Okay. And Histion was asked to do what?
3	hernia.	3	A. They were asked to perform the staining
4	A. I have six swaths from TVT and two additional	4	portion of the work.
5	ones from hernia.	5	Q. And Histion is the same pathology company
6	Q. Okay. So six from TVT, two from hernia, and	6	that you and Exponent used in the Mullins case?
7	then 15 individual sutures?	7	A. Correct.
8	A. I believe so.	8	Q. Have you ever used Histion for any other work
9	Q. And based on your report, these samples were	9	prior to Mullins?
10	exposed to QUV radiation for a period of five to 12	10	A. I have not. Exponent has.
11	days?	11	Q. How did you learn about Histion?
12	A. Correct.	12	A. Through Dr. Garcia.
13	Q. And then they were analyzed by you or	13	Q. So Dr. Garcia recommended to you Histion as
14	somebody at Exponent using scan electron microscopy?	14	the laboratory to conduct the processing and staining
15	A. They were. Their surfaces surface	15	of of these samples. Is that correct?
16	topography and morphology was monitored through SEM		A. Yes. I asked her to identify a lab that had
17	Q. Okay. Who monitored the surface morphology?	17	this expertise, and that's the lab she mentioned.
18	A. Dr. Lyons.	18	Q. And how were the how did Histion strike
19	Q. Okay. Who	19	that.
20	A. L-Y-O-N-S.	20	How many of the samples that we just
21	Q. Okay. So Dr. Lyons was conducting the SEM	21	discussed were sent to Histion for paraffin embedding?
22	imaging or analysis during the QUV oxidation	22	A. Oh, it was roughly half. About half went
23	experiment.	23	into paraffin, and about half went into the resin.
24	A. Correct.	24	Q. Is there a document that would identify for
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1	Q. And after the five to 12 days, after the	1	me I don't need you
2	morphology or the cracking started to appear on the	2	•
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1	A. I am.	1	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
2	MR. THOMAS: There's several protocols.	2	A. Our reports are formal.
3	A. Yeah, there's several. But this one's	3	Q. There wasn't a formal Exponent document
4	entitled Histology, Embedding, and Staining Protocol	4	protocol.
5	for PROLENE Mesh and Sutures.	5	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
6	Q. You didn't when we when I took your	6	Q. Other other than what was contained within
7	deposition in Mullins, you didn't have any written	7	your expert report. Right?
8	protocols.	8	A. The expert report contains the protocol that
9	MR. THOMAS: Object to the form.	9	we use.
10	A. Sure, we did.	10	Q. In any event, after I took your deposition in
11	Q. You didn't produce any protocols.	11	the Mullins case, this document, Exhibit No. 16, was
12	A. These this staining protocol's in my	12	created.
13	report, in the Mullins report.	13	A. Correct.
14	Q. Okay. Let's go ahead and mark as Exhibit	14	Q. All right. And this is and the intent of
15	No	15	this document is to have a protocol that can be
16	(Discussion held off the record.)	16	followed by you or or individuals at Exponent so
17	(Recess held from 9:50 a.m. till 9:53 a.m.)	17	that you can follow the steps appropriately. Right?
18	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 16 - Histology,	18	A. That's what the protocol is used for.
19	Embedding, and Staining Protocol for PROLENE	19	Q. And it says under "Purpose", it says, "The
20	Mesh and Sutures - marked for	20	purpose of this document is to describe histology,
21	identification.)	21	embedding, and staining procedures for PROLENE mesh and
22	BY MR. THORNBURGH:	22	suture material."
23	Q. Okay, Doctor, I'm going to hand you what I've	23	Did I read that correctly?
24	marked as Exhibit No. 16, which appears to be or is	24	A. You did.
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1	labeled the Laboratory Protocol for Histology,	1	Q. Okay. If you go down to Section C, it says
2	Embedding, and Staining Protocol for PROLENE Mesh and		"Paraffin-Embedding Protocol".
3	Sutures.	3	A. Yes.
4	(Discussion held off the record.)	4	Q. Okay. And it says under Section C, it
5	Q. Doctor, do you recognize Exhibit 16?	5	says there's a well, strike that.
6	A. I do.	6	It says "Paraffin-Embedding Protocol", and
7	Q. Okay. And is Exhibit 16 the written protocol	7	there's a Footnote No. 1. Which if you go to the
8	for paraffin embedding and staining?	8	Footnote No. 1, it says, "Paraffin-embedded samples are
9	A. It is.	9	prepared and stained following the protocol submitted
10	Q. Okay. And when was this protocol first	10	by Dr. Iakovlev."
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11	written?	11	Did I read that correctly?
11 12	written? A. This particular document was written on	11 12	•
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1	purpose was to see if his study was reproducible	1	results.
2	A. No.	2	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
3	Q in your control.	3	A. I'd need more information to pass judgment on
4	A. No. That's not what we tried to do. Mr	4	that.
5	Dr. Iakovlev's experiment was on explanted materials.	5	Q. Your intent was to follow Dr. Iakovlev's
6	His experiments lacked a control in known oxidized	6	protocol.
7	material exposed to staining, and so we simply filled	7	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
8	that gap. We didn't try to reproduce what he did. It	8	A. Our intent was to stain deliberately oxidized
9	was a fundamental step missing from his experiments	9	specimens from a well-accepted H&E process, correct
10	that we filled with our control experiment.	10	Q. As a control.
11	Q. So it was important for your control	11	A. As a control.
12	experiment, since it's a control, to follow the	12	Q. And if you're doing a control, it's important
13	protocol that was outlined by Dr. Iakovlev.	13	for you to follow the procedures and protocol of
14	A. Correct.	14	Dr. Iakovlev.
15	Q. And who provided to you the protocol of	15	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
16	Dr. Iakovlev?	16	Q. Right?
17	A. I believe it came in some form from all the	17	A. We did a control experiment with H&E stains.
18	production documents. I don't remember where it came		That's what we did; oxidized specimens that were then
19	from.	19	ultimately stained with H&E.
20	Q. I didn't I looked through the materials	20	(Witness asked for clarification by the
21	that were produced, and I didn't see any written	21	reporter.)
22	protocol of Dr. Iakovlev within the documents you	22	A. We did an experiment with intentionally
23	produced. Maybe I'm missing it. I'm not suggesting	23	oxidized specimens that were ultimately H&E stained.
24	that	24	Q. Well, the purpose of a control is that you
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1	A. Yeah. I don't I don't recall off the top	1	treat the control the same way that you treat the
2	of my head what production document that came from or		experimental material. Right?
3	where we found it, for that matter. I just don't	3	A. Correct. We make every attempt to follow the
4	recall.	4	procedure that was outlined in our protocol.
5	Q. Do you know when you received it?	5	Q. And if you don't, you have an invalid
6	A. Well, we certainly had it before the first	6	control.
7	round of work. So sometime last summer, last fall.	7	A. No, not necessarily.
8	Q. Okay.	8	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
9	A. He may have referenced something that was	9	A. Not necessarily. You'll need to give me more
10	publicly available, and that's what we used. I just	10	information if you
11	I just don't recall.	11	Q. I'm just trying to get some background
12	Q. Okay. But your your goal was to follow	12	information.
13	the same protocol that Dr. Iakovlev has had used.	13	A. Asked and answered.
14	Right?	14	Q. Well, let's look at Exhibit let's look at
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	A. Yes. That was our intent; to basically do	15	Exhibit 16, Paraffin-Embedding Protocol. And you say
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17	the same type of staining that he did; embedding and staining that he did.	16 17	that your you prepared this protocol following the protocol of Dr. Iakovlev. And then if you look at the
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1	A. Yep.	1	solvent that's part of the protocol.
2	Q. Where you are laying out the protocol for	2	Q. What was the purpose of using xylene in Step
3	paraffin embedding. And you have a set of steps,	3	4 or Step 5?
4	right? 1 through 6?	4	A. Probably just additional dehydration, if
5	A. Correct.	5	not alcohol removal, residual alcohol removal.
6	Q. And the first step is 70 percent reagent	6	Q. Okay. And then Step 6 is the Lerica
7	alcohol; number of changes, two; one hour each. Right?	7	paraffin waxing; is that correct?
8	A. Correct.	8	A. Leica, correct.
9	Q. Okay. And what was the purpose of doing that	9	Q. Leica. And why did you have Leica here?
10	step?	10	A. It's just the brand name.
11	A. Those are just dehydration steps.	11	Q. Okay. Is that the same brand that was used
12	Q. Now, there's no tissue, right?	12	by Dr. Iakovlev?
13	A. There is no tissue.	13	A. I don't recall, and it wouldn't matter,
14	Q. So there's no tissue on your samples. Right?	14	because that paraffin goes away after you go through
15	A. No. They're control specimens.	15	the entire process.
16	Q. Okay. So you're not really dehydrating	16	Q. Okay. So
17	tissue.	17	A. Just the paraffin's just used to hold the
18	A. No, but we're following a standard embedding	18	specimen in place during the microtoming.
19	procedure. So we didn't want to leave any steps out.	19	Q. So, so far, your control, you've done
20	Q. You didn't want to leave any steps out.	20	dehydration, and then you've added some you've done
21	A. Correct.	21	the paraffin waxing. Right?
22	Q. It's important to follow the steps.	22	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
23	A. Sure.	23	A. In between there, there's the xylene
24	Q. Okay. If you go to Step 2, 80 percent	24	substitute step. But, yes.
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1	reagent alcohol. Right?	1	Q. Okay. And you said that at some point the
2	A. Um-hum.	2	wax the paraffin wax gets removed through the steps
3	Q. What was the purpose of that? Additional	3	in the protocol.
4	dehydration?	4	A. Correct.
5	A. Correct.	5	Q. And that's important to remove the wax,
6	Q. And number of changes, one, for one hour.	6	
7	5 / /		right?
	A. Correct.	7	right? A. It's a by-product of the process. You're
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1	A. So if you think about it, the paraffin is on	1	is a cross-section of the specimen. The paraffin is on
2	the outside of the fiber. We're staining a	2	the outside. So all of the cross-sectional area that
3	cross-section. Right? So the cross-section is not	3	we've now produced from the microtoming process is
4	influenced or in contact with the paraffin itself.	4	inboard from the paraffin.
5	That's actually an encasement around the outside of the	5	Q. If you look at No. 2, it says, "Embed samples
6	fiber. You would be staining a pristinely cut, if you	6	in paraffin blocks using Leica." Do you see that?
7	will, cross-section which has no paraffin on it. So I	7	A. I do.
8	don't I don't understand what you're getting at.	8	Q. And you go down through these sections until
9	Q. Well, if the mesh was if the fibers were	9	you get to Section D. Strike that.
10	oxidized and cracked, right, that's not it's not	10	"Trim the paraffin blocks, as necessary, and
11	cracked in the cross-section. It's cracked around the	11	cut a 4-6 micron-thick sections [sic]."
12	fibers on the outer layer.	12	"Briefly float the paraffin sections in a
13	A. Correct.	13	water bath set to 40-45 degrees Celsius to remove
14	Q. Where the where the wax is going to be	14	wrinkles and allow them to flatten."
15	located. Right?	15	Do you understand what the purpose of that
16	A. Right.	16	step is?
17	Q. Okay. So do you have an understanding of the	17	A. Step No. 4?
18	importance of deparaffinizing these samples?	18	Q. Yeah.
19	A. I have an understanding that the paraffin is	19	A. Yes.
20	removed from the process.	20	Q. What is the purpose of that step?
21	Q. How could the failure to remove the paraffin	21	A. To make it as flat as possible after floating
22	wax compromise the staining?	22	in the water.
23	A. I would argue that it may not compromise the	23	Q. Step 5 says, "Mount the sections onto
24	staining, because I have a freshly cut cross-section of	24	adhesive-coated glass slides, then air dry for 30
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1	Q. Then you or somebody drafts this written	1	Q. And then you deviated from that protocol,
2	protocol after you've already gone through that	2	from the Mullins protocol, and and had Mr. Simon
3	experience, and you have written in here that the	3	Smith, who's been using the automated staining program,
4	protocol needs to be done using an automated stainer.	4	you asked him to now use a manual staining program.
5	A. All correct. It was simply a reflection	5	MR. THOMAS: Object to form.
6	before we started the second set of experiments	6	A. He was the one that performed the manual
7	excuse me second set of experiments, we reflected or		staining, correct.
8	what we learned from Mullins, and we said, hey, we	8	Q. Was he the same person in Mullins who set up
9	don't get a high-enough yield using the automated	9	the automated staining program?
10	stainer; let's just do it by hand; we think we can get	10	A. He was.
11	more specimens to survive the process. That's it.	11	Q. Do you know how comfortable Mr. Simon or
12	Q. Who performed the manual staining?	12	Mr. Smith would have been going from what he performs
13	A. Histion.	13	in his laboratory, the automated automatic staining
14	O. Who at Histion?	14	program to manual staining?
15	A. Simon Smith.	15	A. He didn't flinch.
16	Q. Do you know Simon Smith?	16	
17	A. I've met him.	17	Q. Do you know what his experience is with doing
			manual staining versus automatic staining?
18	Q. Is he a pathologist?	18	A. Yes. He says he's done it all the time.
19	A. He has done staining for decades. I don't	19	Q. Do you know personally, do you have any
20	know his exact background.	20	knowledge of what his experience is?
21	Q. Do you know if he's a pathologist?	21	A. I can tell you that Histion has been staining
22	A. I just don't know.	22	products for 25 years, and they conform to the code of
23	Q. Have you worked with Simon Smith before?	23	federal regulations in terms of their capabilities and
24	A. We have.	24	report-outs.
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1	Q. You personally?	1	Q. How many years have they been using automated
2	A. Yes. In for the Mullins work.	2	staining?
3	Q. But in the Mullins work, there was it was	3	A. I don't know.
4	done by the automatic staining program.	4	Q. You have no understanding, as you sit here
5	A. Correct. But Simon was part of our effort.	5	
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1	highlighted copy?	1	A. Correct.
2	MR. THORNBURGH: No.	2	Q. Do you know how long it's been in place?
3	Q. What does "automation in IHC" mean?	3	A. I do not.
4	A. Immunohistochemistry.	4	Q. Do you know when the last time Mr. Simon
5	Q. Okay. And if you turn to the first page of	5	[sic] conducted or performed manual staining on any
6	Chapter 17 of Exhibit 17, Chapter 9.1, it says	6	sample before he met with you to work on the Wave 1
7	"History of IHC Automation".	7	experiments?
8	MR. THOMAS: Is this from a textbook? Is	8	A. No. But he assured us that he's quite
9	there a title for the book, Dan, do we know?	9	capable and competent of doing manual staining.
10	MR. THORNBURGH: Automation in IHC.	10	Q. Were you there when he performed the
11	MR. THOMAS: That's the chapter title. Do	11	staining?
12	you know the book that it's from?	12	A. I was not there on those days. And, by the
13	MR. THORNBURGH: I don't know the title. I	13	way, just as a confirmation, that's why we do positive
14	don't.	14	controls. So if you look at our rabbit tissue and all
15	MR. THOMAS: Okay. I'll just object to the	15	of the bovine serum which we have yet to talk about yet
16	question for that reason.	16	that's around some of the specimens, they all achieved
17	Q. "History of IHC Automation". "The first"	17	staining.
18	if you look at the first paragraph, about four lines	18	So it's a moot point, in my opinion, because
19	up, "The first automated device capable of both IHC and	19	he clearly demonstrated that he has the capability and
20	in situ hybridization (ISH) was described in 1990."	20	the expertise to do it, because all of our positive
21	A. I'm sorry, could you just tell me where you	21	controls stained.
22	are, again.	22	Q. Do you know if the automated system that he
23	Q. Page 1 under Chapter 9.1, first paragraph.	23	was accustomed to using and used in the Mullins case
24	A. Um-hum. Yes.	24	prior to this these experiments was an open or
	Page 71		Page 73
1	Q. Do you see there's see No. 4, about four	1	closed system?
2	lines up from the bottom.	2	A. I don't recall.
3	A. I do.	3	
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Page 74 Page 76 1 A. These xylene steps, that's a solvent that's 1 for the Federal Government, because they do conform to 2 2 the code of federal regulations with regard to their actually going to remove the paraffin. 3 3 Q. So Steps 19 and 20? data. 4 A. No. Much earlier on. Steps 2, 3, 4. 4 So if someone comes to them for, say, 5 Q. Sorry. I didn't see those. And you had 5 pre-clinical experimentation, their data is accepted by 6 6 testified earlier that the deparaffinizing steps that the FDA. 7 7 were taken -- or that were used would have been Q. Move to strike, non-responsive. My question sufficient for removing the paraffin wax? 8 8 is very simple. Histion is not a clinical pathology 9 A. Correct. 9 laboratory. Correct? 10 10 A. Not according to their website. Q. What's your basis for that opinion? 11 A. The 25 years of experience that Histion 11 Q. In other words, I'm correct. Right? 12 12 touts. And also visual observations from the MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the 13 13 microscopy work. question. 14 14 Q. So it's not your personal experience. It's Q. I just want to make sure the record's clear. 15 the fact that Histion has been around for 25 years? 15 A. From what I have read, correct. You can ask 16 MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the 16 them. They perhaps have done work that's not openly 17 17 marketed on their website. I don't know. That's a question. He just said he's looked at it 18 18 question for them. himself. 19 19 But in terms of the publicly available A. Exactly. It's two -- the answer is two-fold. 20 20 One is the expertise and experience of Histion, having information, what you said was correct. 21 done this type of work for decades. And, two, it's the 21 Q. Do you know what additional federal 22 22 visual observation of the slides when they come out. requirements are needed to run and maintain a clinical 23 You don't see any paraffin to the outside. 23 pathology laboratory? 24 24 A. Off the top of my head, no. Q. So let's talk about touting the experience of Page 75 Page 77 Histion. Is Histion a laboratory that does diagnostic 1 1 Q. Are any of the individuals who are 2 evaluation for patient clinically -- for patients 2 supervising and managing Histion, are any of those 3 3 clinically? individuals pathologists? 4 4 In other words, if someone gets a cancer, A. I don't know. 5 develops a cancer, or they have a tumor that gets 5 Q. Do you believe that the steps that are 6 removed by a surgeon, Histion is not the facility that 6 outlined under Section D are the steps and the protocol 7 7 would look at and determine whether or not a patient that would have been used by Dr. Iakovlev? 8 8 needs treatment, has cancer. A. What I can tell you is that we put what we 9 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 9 believed was Dr. Iakovlev's protocol in front of the 10 10 Q. Right? expertise and experts at Histion, and they developed 11 A. You're talking about histological examination 11 something that we believed would be similar, if not 12 of tissue. There are no tissues in my specimens. So I 12 identical, to what his steps were. That's how I can 13 13 just don't understand the dots you're trying to connect answer that. 14 here. There's -- we're not doing a tissue histological 14 Q. You, sitting here right now, you don't know 15 exam with my specimens. 15 whether or not the steps that are identified under 16 Q. Histion is a pre-clinical laboratory. 16 Section D followed the protocol of Dr. Iakovlev. 17 A. That's correct. 17 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 18 Q. They're not a clinical laboratory. 18 A. I believe we've made every attempt to follow 19 A. It doesn't mean that they can't stain with 19 what he did, based on the documentation that we have 20 20 expertise. And, again, our positive control specimens tell us that 21 21 Q. Just answer my question. Okay? Histion is we achieved staining. I mean, that's what we're trying 22 not a clinical laboratory. Correct? 22 to do here. We're trying to see if oxidized material 23 A. They are not a clinical lab, correct. 23 stains. Period.

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Q. But were the slides charged or uncharged?

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However, their data is good enough for the Government,

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	Page 78		Page 80
1	A. Charged.	1	manufacturers were placed in 10 percent buffered
2	Q. Were the how was the staining conducted?	2	formalin." Right? "The mesh was then sampled for
3	Was it a horizontal? Vertical?	3	light microscopy at two weeks and one, two, and four
4	A. Vertical.	4	months in two separate experiments."
5	Q. Vertical staining?	5	Did I read that correctly?
6	A. Correct.	6	A. You did.
7	Q. And you think that's consistent with the	7	Q. Okay. "Tissue processing; embedding,
8	protocol outlined by Dr. Iakovlev?	8	sectioning," says, "Charged coated slides." Do you see
9	A. I don't believe his protocol mentioned the	9	that?
10	orientation. But if you have a document that says	10	A. I do.
11	otherwise, let me know.	11	Q. And then it says, "And staining (manual and
12	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 18 - Iakovlev	12	[sic] horizontal tray) were carried out."
13	Article on Degradation - marked for	13	Did I read that correctly?
14	identification.)	14	A. It says "manual on horizontal tray".
15	Q. Marked as Exhibit No. 18 the publication from	15	Q. Um-hum.
16	Dr. Iakovlev, Degradation of Polypropylene In Vivo,	16	A. Correct.
17	Microscopic Analysis of Mesh Explanted from Patients		Q. Okay. So Dr. Iakovlev's staining was
18	Have you seen that publication before, Dr.	18	conducted manually on a horizontal tray.
19	MacLean?	19	A. In this publication.
20	A. Yes.	20	Q. Okay. And the staining that was conducted by
21	Q. Okay. Do you see the section on Page 2 of	21	Histion would have been in Mullins, it would have
22	Exhibit 18 called "Staining"?	22	been automated. Right?
23	A. I do.	23	A. In Mullins, correct.
24	Q. Okay. Do you see where Dr. Iakovlev explains	24	Q. In the Wave 1 cases, it was, according to
	Page 79		Page 81
1	the types of staining that he conducted in his studies?	1	you, it was done manually on a vertical tray
2	A. (No response.)	2	vertical standing.
3	Q. At the very beginning. He did H&E staining,	3	A. Correct.
4	and he did additional staining using trichrome, Von	4	Q. So it was not horizontal.
5	Kossa, and some do you see where I'm at?	5	A. Ours was not horizontal.
6	A. I do. I see the paragraph, bottom right-hand	6	Q. Okay. And, by the way, where in all of
7	corner on Page 2. I believe that's what you're	7	your materials that you've produced, where did you
8	referring to.	8	where did you record the fact that the protocol wasn't
9	Q. Okay. You only did H&E staining, right?	9	followed; that the your written protocol, Exponent's
10	A. Correct.	10	written protocol was deviated from by going from
11	Q. You didn't do the Von Kossa staining. You	11	automated staining to manual staining?
12	did not perform the trichrome staining. Right?	12	(Discussion held off the record.)
13	A. We did not.	13	A. Do you have a full copy of my supplemental
14	Q. You did not perform the immunoparaffinized	14	report? Is that what you handed me?
15	staining using immunoperoxidase, right?	15	Q. That's what I handed you.
16	A. I did not.	16	A. If you look on Page 37 of the supplemental
17			report, it is documented. I'm sorry. Page 36 and 37.
	Q. Okay. If you turn to Page 3, see the "New	17	report, it is documented. Thi sorry. Tage 30 and 37.
18	Q. Okay. If you turn to Page 3, see the "New Mesh Control"? Do you see where I'm at?	17 18	Item 6 on Page 36 reads, "Paraffin-embedded samples
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19 20 21	Mesh Control"? Do you see where I'm at? A. I do. Q. "Portions of pristine trans" and this is the protocol that Dr. Iakovlev uses.	18 19 20 21	Item 6 on Page 36 reads, "Paraffin-embedded samples were stained by hand using the following protocol." And, likewise, a similar comment is on Page 37 by the number four for the resin-embedded samples.

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Page 82 Page 84 1 discussions that we've had with Histion, vertical 1 Q. And my question to you was: Based on your 2 2 staining -- vertical orientation is preferred, because review of the publication, Exhibit No. 18, of 3 3 it ensures that you get good rinsing, and the rinse Dr. Iakovlev, you'd agree with me that the positioning 4 4 actually moves away from the specimen. The slide, I of the slides for staining purposes was different. 5 should say. So it was just -- it's a preferred method 5 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 6 6 by Histion. They feel that they get a better wash from Q. Than the positioning used by Dr. -- by 7 that -- from that technique. 7 Histion. 8 Q. And what do you mean by a "better wash"? 8 MR. THOMAS: Same objection. 9 A. Well, the -- the slides are vertically 9 A. Only in that publication. Not in his reports 10 10 oriented, so gravity actually pulls or drops the wash with respect to any of these litigation matters. 11 solution down over the sides of the slides and then 11 Q. Do you have any basis to believe or to down away from the slides. So rinsing and washing is 12 12 testify that Dr. Iakovlev used any other protocol other 13 13 facilitated by that orientation. than that used and reported in Exhibit 18, his 14 Q. You agree with -- would agree with me that 14 publication on degradation? the protocol that was used by Dr. Iakovlev, at least as 15 15 A. We have no basis either way. It's not --16 to the positioning of the slides as they're stained, 16 there's no written protocol assigned with his report --17 was different from that used by Histion. 17 associated with his reports that tell us either way. 18 MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the 18 Q. Well, you said that your goal was to follow 19 19 the protocol of Dr. Iakovlev. question. 20 A. Only with respect to his publication. Can 20 A. To the best of our ability, based on what he 21 you show me in his reports for any of these matters 21 submitted for expert reports. 22 where he's cited horizontal orientation? 22 Q. You didn't follow the protocol --23 Q. Did you believe, when you endeavored to 23 A. Is that --24 conduct these experiments and follow the protocol of 24 Q. -- of Dr. Iakovlev --Page 85 Page 83 1 Dr. Iakovlev, that Dr. Iakovlev performed the staining 1 A. -- an expert report? 2 vertically, rather than horizontally? 2 MR. THOMAS: One at a time. 3 3 A. We had no indication. From -- per reading Q. -- as described in Dr. Iakovlev's 4 publication concerning the degradation of explanted 4 his reports. 5 5 Q. Did you attempt to look at Dr. Iakovlev's PROLENE mesh? 6 publications to determine what protocols Dr. Iakovlev 6 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 7 7 used? A. In a non-expert report, correct. 8 8 A. We certainly referenced them. (Discussion held off the record.) 9 9 Q. All right. And you would agree with me that (Recess held from 10:45 a.m. till 10:51 a.m.) 10 10 the protocol that Dr. Iakovlev used was different than BY MR. THOMAS: 11 the protocol that you used, at least with respect to 11 Q. Okay, Dr. MacLean, why did you decide to only 12 the positioning of the slides when they were stained. 12 use H&E staining and not the other staining that 13 A. Show me --13 Dr. Iakovlev has used? 14 MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the 14 A. Because I think when you look at his reports, 15 15 question. he certainly suggests that the staining that's taking 16 16 A. Show me the protocol in any of -- in his place in his cracked bark is H&E. I know that there 17 reports that cite horizontal orientation that I would 17 are other stains that he used, but the one that we 18 have made that determination from. From his reports, 18 chose to focus on was H&E. 19 not a publication. 19 Q. Did you ever try to use any of the other 20 20 Q. Listen to my question. stains? 21 21 A. Okay. A. We did not. 22 Q. Okay? I mean, your goal was to follow the 22 Q. If you'd turn to Page 5 of Exhibit No. 18, 23 23 which is Dr. Iakovlev's publication. protocol outlined by Dr. Iakovlev. 24 A. To the best of our ability, correct. 24 A. One more time. Figure or page?

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Page 86 Page 88 1 Q. Page 5, Figure 4. 1 PROLENE or some other material. It's just talking 2 A. Okay. I am there. 2 about the relative size of alleged pores that are on 3 3 Q. Do you see where in Figure 4 there's either side of the bark. 4 different staining that was discussed that was done by 4 So to the extent that he uses that technique 5 5 Dr. Iakovlev? to determine that it's PROLENE, I would have an 6 6 A. (No response.) opinion. But if he's just using it to talk about 7 Q. If you look at -- on Image (a) on Figure 4 --7 porosity and porosity alone, then I wouldn't have an 8 A. Correct. 8 opinion. 9 Q. -- Von Kossa staining -- do you see that --9 Q. Would you -- would it be significant to you was negative for calcium in the brittle bark? 10 10 at all if Dr. Iakovlev conducted additional staining to 11 A. That's what it says, correct. 11 determine whether or not the outer layer was 12 Q. Says, (b), "Trichrome stain shows that the 12 proteinaceous; used a stain to look for protein, and 13 deeper parts of the bark have smaller staining porosity 13 the outer layer didn't stain? 14 (red) than those close to the surface (green) which 14 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 15 correlates with TEM," transmission electron microscopy 15 Q. Would it be significant, in your opinion, as 16 "findings." Do you see that? 16 an expert here, whether or not Dr. Iakovlev had 17 A. Yes, that's what it says under (b), yes. 17 actually done some testing, staining that would 18 Q. Okay. You didn't use trichrome, right? 18 identify whether or not that outer layer is protein? 19 19 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question A. We did not. 20 Q. Okay. And do you have any opinions about why 20 A. Well, he's already done some of that work 21 in (b), why trichrome would be able to be trapped 21 today. We know that there's a biological component to 22 within the degraded -- what we allege to be the 22 this crust layer, because it takes on H&E staining. So 23 degraded layer of the PROLENE fibers? 23 I guess I'm missing your point. 24 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 24 Q. Well, if you -- well, Dr. Iakovlev's Page 87 Page 89 1 opinion's different than yours, right? Dr. Iakovlev's 1 A. I have no opinion on that. 2 Q. You're not going to offer any opinions at 2 opinion is that the degraded polypropylene layer traps 3 3 the -- at any trial concerning the additional findings H&E, which is different than your opinion. We can 4 4 of Dr. Iakovlev that are discussed in his publication, agree that you have different opinions, right? 5 5 A. We have -- sure, we can agree on different in his expert report, and here in Figure 4? 6 6 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 7 7 Q. Okay. But did you -- would it be important That's much too broad. 8 8 A. I don't have any opinions at this time on Von to you if Dr. Iakovlev had done additional protein 9 9 Kossa staining of the crust layer. staining and found that the outer layer did not stain? 10 10 Q. And you don't have any opinions regarding Von MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 11 Kossa stainer -- staining of the outer layer of the 11 A. I -- I would need to see that research. I'd 12 mesh because you didn't conduct any of those studies. 12 need to see that study. 13 13 Q. Well, if you look at Page 5 of his 14 A. I have not conducted any Von Kossa staining 14 publication, Exhibit 18. 15 15 A. (Witness complies.) studies. Q. Okay. And you don't -- and won't offer any 16 Q. "Immunohistochemical stain for immunoglobulir 16 G (IgG stained brown)." Do you see that? "IgG," 17 opinions concerning Dr. Iakovlev's trichrome staining 17 18 and his findings related to the trichrome. 18 immunoglobulin, "is present in almost all human tissues 19 and fluids. It is deposited on the surfaces of 19 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 20 A. Well, I -- I don't know. I don't know. But 20 degraded polypropylene, but it is not mixed within it." 21 at this point in time I can tell you this: That his 21 Do you see -- do you see Figure C? 22 22 discussion on the trichrome stain simply talks about A. I do. And I think you're reading the text 23 porosity that may exist in that crust. It does nothing 23 that corresponds to Figure C. Is that correct? 24 to characterize that material in terms of whether it's 24 Q. Okay. So do you see Figure C, that when

Page 90 Page 92 immunoglobulin staining was conducted, immunoglobulin MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 1 1 2 staining only stains protein brown. Right? 2 A. If it's -- could you -- I need to hear that 3 3 A. Well, that's what he says, but I haven't done question again. 4 my own research to verify that. 4 (Read back by the reporter.) 5 5 Q. You don't know one way or the other. A. I think it depends on the question I'm going 6 A. No, but I could certainly find out. 6 to get asked. Because, like I just mentioned, going 7 Q. Okay. But sitting here today, because you're 7 back to the trichrome stain, he hasn't used that 8 not a pathologist, you don't know one way or the other 8 technique to verify that the cracked layer is PROLENE. 9 9 whether or not immunoglobulin would stain brown in the So it really is going to come down to what 10 presence of tissue or fluids. 10 questions I'm asked and -- and how it relates to my 11 A. No. But I know --11 polymer science background. That's -- that's how I'll 12 12 Q. Protein. 13 A. No. But I know that H&E stains biological 13 Q. So you're saying that the trichrome staining materials. And there's no biological component to 14 that was conducted by Dr. Iakovlev doesn't determine 14 15 native PROLENE. 15 whether or not the cracked outer layer is -- is 16 Q. Do you understand that immunoglobulin is 16 PROLENE? 17 found within the tissues and the fluids of the human 17 A. What I'm saying is the only thing that he's 18 body? 18 mentioning with respect to trichrome stain is the 19 A. I can only recite what's written here. 19 presence of some alleged set of pores that vary in Q. Do you understand that immunoglobulin is 20 20 size. He's not using it as a technique to confirm that 21 found within protein? 21 the cracked layer is PROLENE or oxidized PROLENE. He's 22 22 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. simply making a statement about some, in his opinion, 23 23 A. It's the same answer. inherent pore size within that layer. We -- he still 24 Q. Okay. So do you agree that based on the 24 hasn't identified what that material is within that Page 91 Page 93 staining done, as depicted in Figure (c) of --1 1 layer. 2 Image (c) of Figure 4, it didn't stain brown? 2 In other words, I could have a crust or a 3 3 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. cracked layer on the outside of Material X that has 4 4 A. (No response.) nothing to do with PROLENE, and it can still have pores 5 5 Q. There is no immunoglobulin within the cracked in it. 6 6 layer of the PROLENE. Q. You've seen some of the other work done by 7 7 MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the Dr. Iakovlev, where he uses polarized light to 8 8 question. identify -- to identify polypropylene. Right? 9 9 A. I am -- I am going to leave the MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 10 10 interpretation of these figures up to Dr. Iakovlev. A. No. He has not. He has identified a 11 These are not my figures, this is not my work. 11 material that illuminates. But polarized light by 12 Q. Okay. So you defer to Dr. Iakovlev in 12 itself does not tell you that the material it's 13 that --13 illuminating is PROLENE. 14 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. 14 Q. Are you going --15 A. I'm not -- I'm not deferring to him. I would 15 A. It just -- it just tells you that you have a 16 16 material that has some degree of molecular order to it. say he needs to be asked those questions, not me. 17 Q. Okay. You're not going to offer any opinions 17 That's it. 18 at trial concerning the images contained within Figure 18 Q. Are you going to offer any opinions at trial 19 19 that tissue or protein -- proteinaceous material is 20 20 A. Not at this time. birefringent when reviewed under polarized light 21 Q. Okay. And you're not going to be offering 21 microscopy? 22 any criticisms of Dr. Iakovlev containing -- concerning 22 A. We may. There's certainly evidence of that 23 any of his other opinions as they relate to other 23 in some of his micrographs. We see that collagen will 24 24 histopathological staining that he conducted. actually illuminate to a certain degree under polarized

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_	light.	1	looking at with polarized light?
2	Q. Okay. Have you looked at have you	2	A. Correct.
3	conducted any polarized light experiment to determine	3	Q. And that was done by Dr. Benight?
4	whether or not protein is birefringent?	4	A. Correct.
5	A. (No response.)	5	Q. And it's your testimony that the bovine serum
6	Q. Under polarized light?	6	experiment demonstrated that bovine serum protein is to
7	A. (No response.)	7	some degree birefringent?
8	Q. You didn't conduct any separate experiment	8	A. It illuminates under polarized light.
9	concerning whether or not protein is birefringent,	9	Q. Okay. And was the that was in the
10	right, using polarized light?	10	bovine serum experiments, those samples weren't
11	MR. THOMAS: He's looking right now.	11	oxidized. Right?
12	Q. Maybe I can speed things up	12	A. Correct.
13	A. Hold on. I apologize for the delay. It	13	Q. If you look at if you turn to Figure 18 of
14	depends on the degree of cross-polarization. There are	14	your report.
15	certainly some images and, again, this will be all	15	MR. THOMAS: Which one? The supplemental?
16	in the files that you have where if you look at	16	MR. THORNBURGH: The supplemental report.
17	serum and then some degree of magnification and then	17	MR. THOMAS: Page 27?
18	H&E, which means it's been stained, cross-polarization,	18	MR. THORNBURGH: Yeah.
19	XPOL, there are certainly several images that are	19	Q. I'm sorry, Page 28, Figure 19. Supplemental
20	viewed under polarized light that show the serum	20	report, Exhibit 15. You have some images of the
21	proteins; that they're illuminated in those	21	UV-oxidized or QUV-oxidized PROLENE fibers?
22	micrographs.	22	A. (No response.)
23	So there is some degree of illumination of a	23	Q. Are you there?
24	proteinaceous material in my vials. I can show you an	24	A. Yes, I am.
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1	image, if that helps.	1	Q. Okay. And you write that, "Fibers with
2	Q. You were just reading let me see what	2	several cracks embedded in paraffin. No staining is
3	you're looking at.	3	evident. Mesh fibers are shown under bright field
4	A. (Witness indicates.) And the file name is in	4	light, (a) and (b), and illuminated under
5	the top left-hand corner, if you want me to read that	5	cross-polarized light, (c)."
6	into the record.	6	A 1.1 11 1 1 1 1 1 1
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Page 98 Page 100 1 necessarily cracks things up. But go ahead and ask 1 Q. In Figure 19 (b) and (d), are those images of 2 2 the mesh fibers or the suture fiber? your question. 3 Q. Okay. What do -- well, I need to know what 3 A. Those are mesh fibers. And I'm just going to 4 your basis is for -- so let me just -- if you look at 4 correct the record. That's (b) as in boy, (c) as in 5 Figure 19, (b) and (c), you describe this as cracks 5 Charlie. 6 caused by the UV oxidation. 6 Q. Correct. Did you identify -- strike that. 7 A. You bet. 7 Who took the images, the microscopy images? 8 Q. Okay. And have you ever seen chatter under a 8 A. Dr. Benight, with some assistance from 9 9 Dr. Garcia. microscope? 10 10 A. I've certainly seen on occasion some Q. Okay. And prior to her involvement in this 11 artifacts on a microtome surface that might be related 11 litigation, had she ever taken -- had she -- strike 12 to the movement of the blade. 12 13 Q. Has anybody ever trained you on how to 13 Prior to her involvement in this litigation, 14 identify artifact caused by chatter? 14 had she ever done microscopy imaging before? 15 A. I don't know if anyone has formally trained 15 A. I'm sure she has, but I have to -- I would 16 me, but I've been doing microtoming for 20 years, and I 16 either defer to her CV or whatever she's testified to. understand the general phenomenon that you're 17 17 Q. Do you know whether or not she's ever done 18 describing. 18 microscopy before? 19 Q. And in Figure (d) and (c), you don't believe 19 MR. THOMAS: Microscopy or --20 those -- that cracking that's demonstrated on these 20 Q. Microscopy imaging. 21 images is actually chatter, rather than cracks caused 21 A. I can certainly look it up. She might 22 22 by the oxidation of PROLENE? reference it on her CV. 23 A. Here's what I can tell you: These samples 23 Q. I only say this because I -- you know, when I 24 are definitively cracked, because if you look at the 24 looked at the materials that were produced yesterday, Page 99 Page 101 pre-microtomed micrographs, all of these specimens are the microscopy images and the microscopy that was 1 1 2 riddled with cracks. 2 produced in the Mullins case, those images were very 3 3 And, more importantly, when we went from the blurry. MR. THOMAS: Which ones? 4 4 whole fiber specimen down to the microtoming, we 5 actually denoted where we were going to do the 5 MR. THORNBURGH: Virtually all of them. 6 microtoming so that our microtomes would align with 6 Q. I mean, you've seen them, right? 7 7 known cracks from the oxidation process. A. I have seen them. 8 8 So there's zero doubt in my mind that cracks Q. They're pretty poor images. Right? 9 9 that are that are shown on these images are a result of A. I would -- I would argue that it was still 10 10 UV oxidation. clear enough to discern what was stained and not 11 And -- and just let me add to that. We've 11 stained. But we certainly attempted to improve on our 12 done the FTIR work to confirm oxidation was achieved 12 microscopy this time around, in terms of their visual 13 Q. The cracking that you observed in the 13 14 UV-treated specimens, did that cracking penetrate 14 Q. Okay. The visual clarity, even this time 15 through the entire fiber, or did it only go to a 15 around, wasn't very good, were they? MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 16 certain depth? 16 17 A. It depends. I think for some of the PROLENE 17 A. No, I disagree. They're fine. I think that 18 fibers -- sutures, rather, we got some pretty 18 they're very good. significant cracking and damage throughout -- I'll call 19 19 Q. Well, turn to Page 25. 20 20 it the bulk of the suture. A. (Witness complies.) Okay. 21 In the mesh, I would say more of it was 21 Q. I'm just going to use this as an example. 25 22 around the perimeter, like we've seen before. Similar 22 of your report, there's a Figure 15. Blurry image, 23 to what we saw in the microstaining -- in the 23 right?

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A. Only a portion that's in a different focal

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microscopy work last fall.

Page 102 Page 104 1 1 plane is blurry. Q. Can you point out for me on any of these 2 Q. There's a -- the focal point in the right and 2 images where the degraded -- on these microphotographs 3 3 left of this image is blurry. where the degraded outer layer of the PROLENE fiber 4 4 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. begins and ends? 5 5 A. There is some discreet regions that are MR. THOMAS: On which images are you talking 6 6 blurry, but it's -- it's not because of the microscope, about? 7 it's not because of the user. It's because of the 7 A. Yeah, which images? 8 focal plane that you're focusing in on. 8 Q. On any image in your report. 9 Not -- like we talked about six months ago, 9 A. Well, for the -- for the chemically oxidized, 10 10 not all these specimens are perfectly flat. There's it would be all of the exterior surfaces, because 11 going to be some slight variability. And you're at the 11 they've all seen the same chemical environment. 12 micron level. So when you're zoomed in this close on a 12 So when we confirmed through our spectroscopy 13 specimen that's not ideally flat, you're going to be in 13 that oxidation was achieved, it would be all of the 14 14 different focal planes. It's inevitable. surfaces. It wouldn't be just in the discreet regions. 15 Q. If you look at (b), it's also blurry. 15 That -- I'm giving you that answer because 16 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 16 we -- the last thing we were on was on Page 26. 17 17 A. I'm sorry; which one? Q. I'm just trying to understand this. In the 18 Q. Figure 15, Image (b) is blurry. 18 images I look at, I don't see the degraded outer layer. 19 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 19 A. Be more specific. In what? 20 A. No. Not -- no. Not every region is blurry. 20 Q. I don't see a degraded, cracked outer layer on any of these microphotographs that you've provided. 21 There are certainly some areas -- there are certainly 21 22 22 some areas that are not blurry. MR. THOMAS: Anywhere in the report? 23 23 Q. Turn to 26. A. Did you look at the SEM images? They're --24 A. (Witness complies.) All three of these 24 they're riddled with cracks. Page 103 Page 105 1 1 images are blurred out. Q. Well, but the SEM images are a different 2 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 2 image. Right? 3 3 A. No. What I'm explaining to you is when the Q. Right? 4 4 A. I disagree. There are certainly discreet SEM -- when the individual fibers were cracked, we 5 regions that are in focus, and that's what we would 5 mounted those specimens on a mounting board, and we 6 6 actually noted, look, here's a specific crack, let's expect. 7 7 Q. Do you -- you see on Page 26, the bottom microtome right through this cracked region. So, in 8 8 image, is there any area on that image that isn't essence, this one-to-one correlation between SEM 9 9 blurry? cracking and the cracks that are -- the cracking that's 10 10 exhibited around some of the QUV specimens that we A. I'm going to look at the native image, 11 because I don't think that's a fair indication of 11 talked about. 12 what's blurry and what's not blurry with that size 12 Q. You'd expect that if you took a -- what you 13 micrograph inside to record it. 13 called an intentionally oxidized PROLENE sample --14 14 Q. While you're looking at it, did you ever go A. Which method? 15 back and talk to Miss Benight and ask her if she could 15 Q. Using QUV. 16 16 take some better images? A. Okay. 17 A. No. I was happy with the images that she 17 Q. -- and you looked at it under the standing 18 made. 18 electron microscopy, and you saw the severe cracking 19 19 Q. You were happy with the images that Dr. that some of your images have demonstrated --20 20 Benight provided to you? A. Correct. 21 A. Yeah. Not every -- at this magnification, 21 Q. -- then you'd take that same material, and 22 this sample size, not every single one of them is going 22 you do, you know, embedding and microtoming and do a 23 23 to be a perfect picture, if you will. It's just not -cross-section --24 24 it's just not realistic. A. And I --

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Page 106 Page 108 1 Q. -- and put it under a microscope --1 A. Okay. It doesn't look like chatter to me. 2 A. Sure. 2 And -- and the chatter -- we know it's not chatter 3 3 Q. -- you expect to see that outer degraded because of the reasons that I just walked you through. 4 4 Q. Is this sample -- has this sample been layer in the microphotograph. Right? 5 A. Yeah, and we -- and we do. It's on 6 -- it's 5 preserved? 6 6 on 19 (b). I mean, the cracking that's at -- if I use A. Sure. Yes. Q. And where is it being preserved at? 7 that mesh cross-section as a clock, you know, certainly 7 8 the cracking that we see at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, I am a 8 A. In Menlo Park. 9 hundred percent convinced that that is from UV 9 Q. Are all the samples preserved at -- where did 10 oxidation. 10 you say? 11 Q. You think that's from UV oxidation and not 11 A. Menlo Park. That's our -- that's where 12 chatter. 12 Dr. Benight and Dr. Garcia work from. 13 A. I do. 13 Q. Menlo Park is --14 Q. Okay. 14 A. That's two words: Menlo Park in California. 15 A. Again, that's for two reasons. One, we've 15 Q. California. 16 confirmed it through FTIR. That's -- there's certainty 16 A. (Witness nods head.) 17 there. And then, two, we've got it connected back to 17 Q. Did you look at any of these images yourself 18 18 the SEM microcracks. under a microscope? 19 19 Q. So how do I connect Figure (b) and (c) --A. We may have done some video sharing at some 20 which are the same image, right? Same fiber, right? 20 point to get some realtime microscopy across the 21 A. Yes. 21 country. I've also looked at all of the ones from the 22 Q. How do I track backwards this figure to a 22 Mullins work first-hand. 23 scanning electron microscopy and then to FTIR? 23 Q. You have some additional -- so the only ones 24 A. It's all in the files that we've given you. 24 that you looked at first-hand were for Mullins. You Page 107 Page 109 1 All of -- all of that one-to-one correspondence exists. 1 didn't look at any of these --2 If you can -- if and when you can find these images on 2 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 3 the information we've given you, you find that image, 3 A. I've looked at all of those. Q. Through the microphotographed images that 4 and you trace it back to the overall bulk swath 4 5 5 specimens that we've talked about, you will see how were sent to you from Dr. Benight. 6 they are mounted, you will see the location that we 6 A. Yeah. And/or a -- some sort of video session 7 chose to microtome from. It's all there. 7 that we might have set up at some point in time. 8 Q. This image on Figure 19, is this the best 8 Q. On Page 30 -- or, actually, Page 31, you talk 9 9 image that you had of an intentionally oxidized about polarizing artifact. 10 10 PROLENE sample? A. Yes. 11 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 11 Q. And here you are -- I think what you're doing 12 Q. For microphotograph --12 is you're attempting to demonstrate what you believe 13 A. I don't know --13 the -- it's your opinion that the cracked outer layer 14 Q. -- imaging? 14 that is identified by Dr. Iakovlev is artifact from 15 A. I don't know if it's the best. It's 15 polarized light microscopy? certainly a representative fiber that suffered from UV 16 16 A. Oh, no. Not necessarily. It's -- this is 17 oxidation. 17 just a caution and a warning that when you use 18 Q. And the image is blurry, right? 18 polarized lighting, that you can get some degree of 19 19 A. No. I don't think the image is blurry. shading and some -- and varying degrees of 20 2.0 Q. You don't think the image is blurry? illumination, and you just need to be aware of those 21 A. No. Can you not see the cracking at 9:00, 21 artifacts as you interpret the results. 22 10:00, 11:00? Can you not see that? Because I --22 Q. Are you going to offer any opinion at trial 23 23 Q. I see some cracking, but it looks like -that any of the photo -- or the microphotographs that 24 that looks like chatter to me. 24 you've looked at that were taken by Dr. Iakovlev were

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Page 110 Page 112 1 caused by polarizing artifact? 1 I'm in specifically Image (c) as in Charlie. 2 A. I don't know. I'd have to go back and look 2 Q. Okay. 3 3 at his universe of images. All I'm saying here is that A. Are you with me? 4 4 when you use polarized light, you just need to be Q. Yeah, I'm there. 5 careful, because you could introduce things that just 5 A. So in that particular image, I clearly see a 6 6 truly aren't there. That's -- that's all I'm saying. stained region that's just in -- I'll call it inboard 7 7 MR. THOMAS: And just so you know, just in from the white reference arrow, and then a defined 8 case you don't know, there are two videos in 8 boundary between -- there's no staining in the blue 9 9 particles. the information --10 10 MR. THORNBURGH: I've seen those. So, to me, this is a clear indication that 11 MR. THOMAS: Okay. 11 the crust is something else, for two reasons: There's 12 MR. THORNBURGH: I've seen those. 12 no blue granules in the purple swath of material that 13 MR. THOMAS: That's fine. 13 you see there, is a discreet boundary, and, likewise, Q. Are you offering -- are you -- have --14 14 there's no staining in and around the blue dyes, the 15 sitting here right now, do you have any opinion that 15 blue particles. 16 any of the microphotographs that were taken from -- by 16 So I -- I see it very differently than he 17 Dr. Iakovlev and are in his expert report are actually 17 does. 18 18 depicting some sort of polarizing artifact? Q. So let me ask you this question: Do you 19 19 know -- do you have any understanding as to whether or MR. THOMAS: Object to form. 20 20 A. I can say this: That there may be polarizing not those blue granules will also oxidize and degrade 21 artifacts in his images. If you're asking me if I 21 over time? 22 22 believe that the crust that we've all been talking A. The blue granules --23 about for a very long time is an artifact of polarized 23 Q. Um-hum. 24 24 A. -- themselves? light, the answer's no. Page 111 Page 113 1 1 Q. Okay. And you've seen that in the Q. Right. 2 degraded -- what we call the degraded crust or degraded 2 A. I haven't thought about that enough. I would bark, that Dr. Iakovlev has found that within that 3 3 have to think about that before I give you an answer. 4 4 cracked layer, there are blue granules caused from the Q. Okay. Because if they did, it would make 5 5 placement of those dye or the pigments during the sense that towards the surface, where the highest 6 manufacturing by the Defendant. Right? 6 activity of oxidation is occurring of the fibers, that 7 7 A. I -you'd expect to see a decrease in the blue fibers at 8 8 Q. So, in other words, the Defendant uses a --9 9 blue granules or blue pigments to -- to color their A. Well, fine. Let's continue that logic, then. 10 10 fibers blue. Right? What is the answer as to why the inner boundary didn't A. Correct. 11 11 12 Q. And in the cracked outer layer of the mesh 12 Q. Where are you looking at? 13 that Dr. Iakovlev has looked at, in that cracked layer, 13 A. I'm just looking to the left -- let me just 14 there are blue pigments or blue granules. Okay? 14 point it out to you so we're all on the same page. 15 MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the 15 Q. Well, let me just -- let's just do this real 16 16 quick. 17 A. I think that is his interpretation of what he 17 A. Sure. 18 sees. 18 Q. We're running out of time. 19 19 Q. What is your interpretation of what is shown 20 in the microphotographs of Dr. Iakovlev? 20 Q. Let's look at Exhibit No. -- or Image No. (d) 21 of Figure -- of this figure set. Okay? On Page 94. A. I think I -- I see two discreet layers, and I 21 22 can show you an image that will help tease that out. 22 Do you see (d)? 23 So if you look at Dr. Iakovlev's Wave 1 23 A. I see (d). 24 report, Page 94. I'm in Figure 13(k), as in Karen, and 24 Q. Okay. Do you see the detached degraded --

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Page 114 Page 116 across some sort of arbitrary plane, I'm also going to 1 what we have allege to be degraded bark? 1 2 2 have some degree of bias cutting. A. I do. 3 3 MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question. And what I'm saying is that, yes, if I have a 4 Q. Do you see the blue granules throughout that 4 bias cut and now I place it on a slide, I may have the 5 degraded layer? 5 notion of two materials, one which is PROLENE, and one 6 6 A. I do. which is the crust in the same field of view looking 7 7 MR. THOMAS: Object to form. top down. 8 Q. Okay. And what is your explanation for the 8 Q. There's no evidence in -- on Page 94 of 9 degradation and the presence of the blue granules in 9 Dr. Iakovlev's report, Image (d), of a bias view or 10 bias cut. 10 this image? 11 A. Well, because what you can have on a 11 A. We can't tell here. You need to actually 12 12 biased-cut specimen, you can actually have two layers look at the entire cross-section father away to know of material. And you're only looking at a 13 13 whether you've got a perfect circle or some sort of 14 14 one-dimensional image here. bias. You just can't tell. 15 15 So if this has, say, a portion -- and I Q. Because I think the way you've described it 16 talked about this in one of my reports. Because of the 16 is that if you have a biased cut, where it's not a 17 17 bias cutting, I can have the crust layer on top, if you totally flat cross-section, then at -- then the crust 18 will, and then some of the residual PROLENE on the 18 could look as if it has blue granules in it, but it's 19 bottom of that same specimen. And so when I look at it 19 really an artifact caused by the core. 20 top down, I'm actually looking through both 20 A. Not necessarily the core. It could be any residual PROLENE that's sitting just below the crust 21 simultaneously. 21 22 22 O. So what evidence do you have that you're itself. So it doesn't have to be the core. I know why 23 looking at a crust layer that is on top of a 23 you're asking that, because (d) has no core in it. You 24 polypropylene layer causing this image to look the way 24 don't have to have the core. Page 115 Page 117 it does? 1 1 It's just a matter of that -- that banded 2 A. You can actually just show it through basic 2 crust material coming from a bias cut could -- could be 3 geometry. If you cut a basic -- excuse me. If you 3 two different materials, one on top of the other. And 4 have a bias-cut fiber, you can actually just show it 4 you're making -- you're getting an illusion of the blue 5 through simple geometry, that you can have this -- what 5 dyes and the blue granules being inside of the crust. 6 I'll call a compounding effect; one material on top of 6 Q. So you think -- it's your opinion, on Page 7 7 the other around the perimeter. 94, that Image (d) is actually an illusion. 8 8 Q. Is that what you were attempting to do in A. I'd need to see that -- I'd need to see that 9 9 your supplemental report on Page 31? 10 10 A. No. No. 31 was just talking about artifacts Q. So you can't offer an opinion to a reasonable 11 that come up from the -- that come about from the 11 degree of scientific probability or certainty that the

12 polarization process or the polarized light 13

14 Q. On Page 30? Is that what you're referring 15 to?

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A. Yeah, to some extent. I mean, this is just showing how you can have this bias cut that we talked

18 about. 19 So if you look at Image (b) -- Figure 21, 20 Image (b), you can -- none of these specimen, when you 21 microtome them, you don't -- you aren't guaranteed a

22 perfect circle. Is that clear? Does that make sense?

23 Because of the fact that the mesh is a

24 three-dimensional knit. And so when I microtome up

specimen first-hand to be able to make that assessment

image on Page 94, (d), is caused by an artifact.

A. There's no question I can demonstrate that through simple geometry. You know, it's just an extension of what's on Figure 21.

I can show that you can get a multi-layer optical illusion, if you will, by having a bias-cut specimen. There's no doubt.

Q. Have you attempted to reproduce this artifact in any of your images?

MR. THOMAS: Object to form of the question.

A. Yes. So in the bovine serum specimens, we definitely have some micrographs that show when you have an overlap of a proteinaceous material on top of

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	the outside perimeter of the fiber, that you can have	1	oxidation.
2	the illusion of blue granules in some sort of protein	2	A. There was some oxidation species, correct.
3	crust.	3	Q. Okay. So you were actually able to begin the
4	Q. What image are you referring to in your	4	oxidation process using the chemicals in your protocol.
5	report?	5	A. Yes. We found some evidence of oxidation.
6	A. I'm trying to find it right now. I can	6	Q. And were you trying to mimic the in vivo
7	rattle off the file name when you're ready.	7	environment where these meshes are placed in a woman's
8	Q. Ready.	8	body?
9	A. Okay. 157183_serum_R as in Robert	9	MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the
10	_63X_H&E_ANA	10	question.
11	(Discussion held off the record.)	11	A. No, not at all.
12	A06-imageexport40. And then I'm not going	12	Q. Did any of your experiments mimic the in vivo
13	to make you go through that whole thing again, but the	13	environment of a woman's body?
14	next one is	14	A. No.
15	(Discussion held off the record.)	15	Q. If you look at your protocol, you actually
16	A imageexport16.	16	added a step to to Dr. Guelcher's protocol, didn't
17	Q. And that's not in your expert report. That's	17	you?
18	just a microphotograph?	18	A. Can you just orient me so we can save time.
19	MR. THOMAS: Object to the form of the	19	Q. Okay. Let's go ahead and mark as exhibit
20	question.	20	mark as an exhibit the Guelcher Chemical Oxidation
21	A. It would certainly be in the it is,	21	Protocol.
22	actually. One of them is. So Figure 14 (b), as in	22	(MacLean Deposition Exhibit 19 - Guelcher
23	boy, would be one of them. And, likewise, Figure 15	23	Chemical Oxidation Protocol - marked for
24	(a) and (b) show overlapping of the bovine serum the	24	identification.)
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1	fixed bovine serum with the mesh specimen.	1	MR. THOMAS: Do you have an extra one, Dan?
2	Q. Doctor, if you turn to let's look at your	2	What number did we mark that?
3	protocol for the chemical oxidizing experiment that you	3	THE WITNESS: It was 19.
4	did.	4	MR. THORNBURGH: 19.
5	A. Okay. (Witness complies.)	5	Q. In your protocol, you used ultrasonic
6	Q. Okay. Do you have it in front of you?	6	cleaning, right?
7	A. I do. I just want to make sure we're working	7	A. Can you just again, just for sake of time,
	off the same document. So mine says "Guelcher Chemica		just orient me to what number or what page you're on.
ı o	Oxidation Protocol".		Just offent me to what number of what page you're on
8	Oxidation Flotocol .	9	O. Okay. So if we're on Exhibit 19, do you see
9		9 10	Q. Okay. So if we're on Exhibit 19, do you see the top, you talk about the equipment and supplies.
9	Q. Right. And, again, was it your the	10	the top, you talk about the equipment and supplies.
9 10	Q. Right. And, again, was it your the purpose of following Dr. Guelcher's protocol was to see		the top, you talk about the equipment and supplies. Then you talk about the procedure.
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1	some of the cobalt crystals that were adhered to some	1	1.
2	of the fibers.	2	A. And what page is that on?
3	Q. Okay. And you did that in an ultrasonic bath	3	Q. It's actually your supplemental report,
4	or	4	Page 11.
5	A. We did.	5	A. (Witness complies.) Okay.
6	Q. Okay. And what type of cleaning solution did	6	Q. This Table 1 discusses the PROLENE samples
7	you use?	7	that were processed
8	A. I believe it was just distilled water.	8	A. Correct.
9	Q. So you put the samples into the ultrasonic	9	Q in your experiment.
10	bath with distilled water?	10	A. Correct.
11	A. Correct.	11	Q. And you expose we talked about all the
12	Q. No other ultrasonic fluid was used?	12	samples that were exposed to QUV resin. But if you
13	A. No.	13	look at Column let's see here. Actually, strike
14	Q. You'd agree that that's a different protocol	14	that.
15	than was used by Dr. Guelcher?	15	Let's just turn real quick to Page 176 of
16	A. I don't recall. I don't have them side by	16	your supplemental report.
17	side. But it would it doesn't affect the results.	17	A. (Witness complies.) 176.
18	You're just trying to remove these crystals that are	18	Q. Is this where your FTIR analysis begins on
19	now sitting on the surface. There's no interaction	19	in the experiments that you conducted?
20	between them.	20	A. Correct.
21	Q. Well, why did you add this step if it wasn't	21	Q. Okay. And on Page 176, you have a number of
22	part of Dr. Dunn and Guelcher's protocol?	22	controls?
23	A. Because we wanted to isolate the fibers, and	23	A. I do.
24	we had so many of the cobalt crystal crystals	24	Q. And then on Page 177, you have additional
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1	excuse me cobalt chloride crystals that were	1	controls. And then you get, finally, to Page 180, it
2	adhering to the surface that we wanted to remove them.	2	looks like; the FTIR related to the QUV experiment.
3	That's all.	3	
4	Q. Did you use ultrasonic cleaning in any of the		A. Yes.
	Q. Did you doe did doone eleding in any of the	4	
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3	work that we did last fall.	3	1110 1110 1110 11 100 1
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			Q. Doctor, regarding the publication, you said
8	Q. And what was your intent when you submitted	8	it was accepted by the medical device division of the
9	Exhibit No. 20?	9	
10	A. To get published in a peer-reviewed	10	A. Society of Plastics Engineers. SPE, it's
11	conference proceeding.	11	informally known as.
12	Q. Did you change any of the procedures, the	12	Q. Are they peer-reviewed?
13	data, the findings in Exhibit No. 20, as reported in	13	A. They are.
14	your report from the Mullins case, before submitting it		Q. Okay. And did you attempt to submit this
15	for publication?	15	publication to any other journal?
16	MR. THORNBURGH: Objection.	16	A. Not at this time.
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19	A. This is this was submitted to the medical	19	A. On the last page of the publication, yes, I
20	division, medical device division of the Society of	20	note a conflict of interest disclosure.
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22	Q. And has it been accepted for publication?	22	as an expert to defend Ethicon in claims that its mesh
23	A. It has.	23	material oxidized and degraded, causing injury to
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